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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : DDCI Briefing Log

1. Pursuant to your request the following item is submitted for possible inclusion in the briefing of the Deputy Director upon his return from the Far East:

Sky Marshal Program

The President announced on September 11, 1970, that it is essential for the protection of American lives and property to place United States Government personnel on United States aircraft engaged in scheduled passenger air carriage.

Responsibility for this program has been delegated to the Secretary of Transportation, and the Federal Aviation Administration has been designated Executive Agent for the Program. Other departments and agencies are authorized to participate within their respective capabilities.

In view of the urgency of implementing the Program, the CIA has made available, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 1343, qualified Agency personnel on a temporary basis. Such personnel, 20 in number, have been detailed to FAA and have been designated as deputy marshals with authority to carry firearms aboard aircraft. So long as they are detailed for this purpose, these officers will function under the operational control of FAA.

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Since 11 September 1970, the Agency has provided ~~for the sky marshals~~ 20 Security Officers drawn from the Office of Security to support this Program. They are positioned at JFK airport and are assigned for use on the international flights of TWA and PAA. To insure adequate relief for these men, the Office of Security has qualified and documented an additional 15 Security Officers, with plans for 15 more. This will provide a complement of 50 Security Officers to be rotated every three weeks.

FAA has indicated their gratification with the performance of our Security Officers, and have incorporated the comments and suggestions of our people into their training syllabus for future marshals.

As of this date, the military has been tasked to provide 800 ~~bodies~~ to augment this Program. It is anticipated that CIA participation will terminate on 15 December 1970.



Director of Security

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